

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A computer program product comprising:  
a computer readable medium having computer readable program code for locating a match embodied therein, said computer readable program code configured to:

obtain a first profile associated with a client-user from a searching-user;

present a plurality of second profiles associated with a plurality of prospect-users to said searching-user wherein said ~~searching-user~~ searching-user reviews said plurality of second profiles on behalf of said client-user;

obtain a selection associated with at least one of said plurality of prospect-users from said searching-user, wherein said selection identifies a selected prospect-user;

transmit a recommendation message to said selected prospect-user;

obtain a response message from said at least one said selected prospect-user;

and

transmit said response message to said client-user via an intermediary, wherein said intermediary removes identifying information associated with said prospect-user.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently amended) The computer program product of Claim 2 1 wherein said selection associated with said at least one of said plurality of prospect-users is stored in a favorites list.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Currently amended) The computer program product of ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 1 wherein said recommendation message comprises said first profile associated with said client-user.

6. (Currently amended) The computer program product of ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 1 wherein said recommendation message comprises a link associated with said first profile.

7. (Currently amended) The computer program product of ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 1 wherein said computer readable program code configured to transmit said recommendation message to said selected prospect-user routes said message through an intermediary.

8. (Original) The computer program product of Claim 7 wherein said intermediary removes identifying information associated with said searching-user from said recommendation message before forwarding said recommendation message to said selected prospect-user.

9. (Currently amended) The computer program product of ~~Claim 4~~ Claim 7 wherein said intermediary comprises a blind exchange.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) The computer program product of Claim ~~4~~ 1 wherein said computer readable program code transmits said response message to said searching-user.

12-14. (Cancelled).

15. (Currently amended) The computer program product of ~~claim 10~~ Claim 1 further comprising computer readable program code configured to:  
present said response message to said client-user.

16. (Currently amended) In a computer system, a method for locating a match comprising:

obtaining a first profile associated with a client-user from a searching-user;

presenting a plurality of second profiles associated with a plurality of prospect-users to said searching-user wherein said ~~searching-user~~ searching-user reviews said plurality of second profiles on behalf of said client-user;

obtaining a selection associated with at least one of said plurality of prospect-users from said searching-user; wherein said selection identifies a selected prospect user prospect-user;

transmitting a recommendation message to said selected prospect-user by routing said message through an intermediary, wherein said intermediary removes identifying information associated with said searching-user from said recommendation message before forwarding said recommendation message to said selected prospect-user.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 16 wherein said selection associated with said at least one of said plurality of prospect-users is stored in a favorites list.

18. (Original) The method of Claim 16 wherein said recommendation message comprises information from said first profile associated with said client-user.

19. (Original) The method of Claim 16 wherein said recommendation message comprises a link associated with said first profile.

20-22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently amended) The method of Claim ~~20~~ 16 further comprising:  
obtaining a response message from said at least one said selected prospect-user;  
transmitting said response message to said client-user.

24. (Original) The method of Claim 23 wherein said response message is transmitted to said searching-user.

25. (Original) The method of Claim 23 wherein said response message is transmitted to said client-user by routing said response message through an intermediary.

26. (Original) The method of Claim 25 wherein said intermediary comprises a blind exchange.

27. (Original) The method of Claim 25 wherein said intermediary removes identifying information associated with said prospect-user.

28. (Currently amended) The method of Claim ~~40~~ 23 further comprising:  
presenting said response message to said client-user.

29. (Currently amended) In a computer system, a method for locating a match comprising:

obtaining a first profile associated with a client-user from a searching-user;

presenting a plurality of second profiles associated with a plurality of prospect-users to said searching-user wherein said ~~searching-user~~ searching-user reviews said plurality of second profiles on behalf of said client-user;

obtaining a selection associated with at least one of said plurality of prospect-users from said searching-user, wherein said selection identifies a selected ~~prospect user~~ prospect-user;

transmitting a recommendation message comprising information from said first profile to said selected prospect-user via a blind exchange;

obtaining a response message from said selected prospect-user;

transmitting said response message to said client-user via said blind exchange;

obtaining a reply message from said client-user;

transmitting said reply message to said prospect-user.

30. (Original) The method of Claim 29 wherein said transmitting provides said searching-user said response message.

31. (Original) The method of Claim 29 wherein said transmitting provides said searching-user said reply message.